

Quality Improvement Committee (QIC) Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 6, 2015

In Attendance:

Lisa Alexander, George Washington University
Brenda Sheingold, George Washington University
Matt Rosen (Chair), Supervisory Quality Improvement Specialist, QMD/DDS
Barbara Stachowiak, PCR, DDS
Nanya Chiejine, Program Specialist, QMD/DDS
Vivian Nwagwu, Health & Wellness, DDS
Bryan Chase, Acting Director, Quality Management Division
Nancy Vaughan, Parent
Jimi Lethbridge, Quality Trust

Handouts from the Meeting

- ❖ Agenda
- ❖ Minutes from August 4, 2015
- ❖ Day & Residential Services PCR HCBS Indicators
- ❖ Physical Therapy Evaluation Manual

Review of August 4, 2015, Minutes

- ❖ No changes to the minutes.

Follow up on Preventing Falls Conversation, Evans, Waiver

Falls Conversation

- ❖ DDA has approved moving forward with the Falls Screening pilot once the tool is finalized and DDA sends out a notice to providers. GWU will help write the notice.
- ❖ The group suggested the concept of Person Centered Thinking to be incorporated into the Physical Therapy Evaluation Manual to capture what is important “to” and “for” person being evaluated.
- ❖ A member of the committee asked for clarity on the utilization of the Physical Therapy Evaluation Manual and the expectations for physical therapists who conduct the assessment.

Evans Update

- ❖ Five (5) criteria still needed to be for DDA/DDS to exit the Evans lawsuit.
- ❖ DDS staff are monitoring Providers and providing technical assistance in preparation for court monitoring visits in 2016.
- ❖ Quality Trust has started a monitoring review of 177 randomly selected class members.

Waiver Update

- ❖ Center for Medicaid & Medicare (CMS) will complete a data review of the various Performance Measures in the District’s IDD Waiver Application. CMS will request the information from DDS in mid-November
- ❖ The Waiver Amendment has been approved by CMS which included changes to several Performance measures. DDA will report on these measures starting in December.

Impact of HCBS Setting Rules Changes on PCR

- ❖ Barbara Stachowiak elaborated on the new and updated PCR HCBS indicators.
- ❖ These amendments are now in effect and will aid providers to be compliant with the community-based service rules for Day and Residential services.

QIC Goals for FY16

- ❖ No input for goals at this meeting. QIC goals will be addressed at the next meeting.

Announcements and other updates

- ❖ Bryan Chase was introduced as QMD's Acting Director. Jared Morris is now the Acting DDA Deputy Director.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 3, 2015